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LYNE AND LONGCROSS NEWSLETTER



HEADTEACHER'S THOUGHTS

As we reflect on recent weeks, I am filled with pride and joy at the remarkable spirit that flows through our school. Our iShare theme of 'Belonging Together' has resonated with our children and is helping to continuing building the strong bonds within our school community. It has been lovely to witness our pupils articulate their sense of belonging and, more importantly, to see them actively supporting and encouraging one another.

The hallways and classrooms of Lyne and Longcross have been alive with the sound of laughter and joy – a testament to the positive learning environment we are creating together. Our children's enthusiasm for knowledge and their willingness to embrace new challenges is both inspiring and rewarding.

I must also thank you all, our school community, for your patience and adaptability in the face of our ever-changing weather. Your resilience in adjusting to these unpredictable conditions exemplifies the flexibility and positive attitude we aim to instill in our children.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

So far this term we have been learning about the Great Fire of London. We have had great fun role playing eyewitness accounts of the fire and re-enacting their firefighting methods. We have used our dramatic efforts to help us to embed our learning so that we can write detailed diary accounts of the Great Fire from the perspective of those affected by it.

Mrs Davies



During R.E. Squirrels retold the, 'Big Bible Story' using everyday objects to represent the main concepts within the Bible; helping them understand why The Bible is like treasure for Christians

Mrs Cox



Year 5 have been really engaged in their Building Bridges topic in DT this week. They have been exploring the use of trusses and how these add more support to the bridge, particularly when spanning wider gaps. The children designed and made their trusses with their groups and looked to see if they can make their structure stronger. They all worked well in their groups and made sure that everyone was included in the process. In the next few weeks, Year 5 will be understanding the purpose of different bridges designs and will put their knowledge to the test when they come to build their prototype bridges at the end of the topic.

Miss Mayger

Year 6 have been enjoying OAA (outdoor adventurous activity) in PE. To begin this, we have enjoyed a few weeks of fun, team work building activities, getting us to complete challenges in groups with our peers. Our favourite this week was using hockey sticks to carry a ball from one end of the hall to the other.



We will now use these skills to start completing orienteering and map work tasks in teams.

Miss Neilson

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP

Our Junior Leadership elections have now been concluded and we are pleased to announce that our two new chairs are Eloise and Noah. They have been busy already and have helped to gather input from the children as to the sporting activities they would like to see happening at lunchtime. This weeks meeting discussed friendships and has looked at implementing Playground Buddies and installing a buddy bench.





FANTASTIC FOREST SCHOOL

With the weather being ever changing, it has been great to see our children continuing to enjoy their forest school sessions and to hear about all the fun they have been having.

In forest school, the children have had fun making conker counters for rabbit class to help them with their counting. They have developed a range of skills such as using a palm drill to make a hole in the conker as well as clamp to hold the conker still.

Miss Stiff and Mrs Newington

KEY DATES

- Oct - Black History Month
- Oct 6 - Harvest Service at Holy Trinity
- Oct 7 - EYFS Curriculum Evening
- Oct 8 - African Drumming Workshops
- Oct 9 - World Mental Health Day
- Oct 10 - School Photos

SAFEGUARDING

At Lyne and Longcross, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This means that we have specific procedures and a clearly defined Safeguarding Policy in place. All staff (including supply staff, volunteers and governors) must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the policy found below.

Should you have a concern about a child, please either speak to member of the Designated Safeguarding Team or email dsl@lyne.surrey.sch.uk

